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SUB: RESEARCH CRUISE R/V HERO 74 - 3

REF: STATE 104152 MAY 31, 73

1. R/V HERO HAS SCHEDULED PROPOSED CRUISE NO. 74 - 3
TO CONDUCT GEOLOGICAL INVESTIGATIONS OF NAVARINO,
HOSTE AND NEIGHBORING CHILEAN ISLANDS. SAME PROGRAM AS
OUTLINED REFTTEL, WHICH NSF FINALLY FORCED TO CANCEL
OWING DIFFICULTIES SHIPYARD REPAIRS BUENOS AIRES. CHIEF
SCIENTIST STILL DR. IAN W. D. DALZIEL OF LAMONT DOHERTY
GEOLOGICAL OBSERVATORY. PROGRAM IS PORTION OF HIS
THREE YEAR STUDY OF STRUCTURE AND TECTONIC HISTORY OF
NORTHERN LIMB OF SCOTIA ARC. PREVIOUSLY DR. DALZIEL HAS
CARRIED OUT FIELD WORK AT ISLA DE LOS ESTADOS IN APRIL -
MAY 1972, AND AT SOUTH GEORGIA JANUARY - MARCH 1973.
DR. DALZIEL AND SCIENTIFIC TEAM WILL BE WORKING CHIEFLY
FROM HERO USING SMALL BOATS TO GO ASHORE FOR PURPOSE
COLLECTING SPECIMENS AND MAKING GEOLOGICAL OBSERVATIONS.
SCIENTIFIC PARTY OF NINE PLANNED FOR THIS CRUISE INCLUDES
SR. ANTONIO CANON OF EMPRESA NACIONAL DEL PETROLEO AT
PUNTA ARENAS, AND ONE ADDITIONAL CHILEAN HAS BEEN

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INVITED FROM EITHER UNIVERSIDAD DE CHILE OR INSTITUTO

DE INVESTIGACION GEOLOGICAS SANTIAGO. SMALL GROUPS MAY
CAMP ASHORE FROM TIME TO TIME. PLANS CALL FOR VESSEL TO

DEPART USHUAIA ABOUT MAY 3 AND RETURN AT CONCLUSION
APPROX JUNE 7. BRIEF CALLS TO BE MADE PUERTO WILLIAMS
FOR PURPOSE OF EMBARKING AND DISEMBARKING GOC
PARTICIPANTS AT BEGINNING AND END OF CRUISE.

2. R/V HERO IS US PUBLIC VESSEL. MASTER IS PETER LENIE
WITH CREW OF 11, SCIENTIFIC PARTY OF 9. VESSEL AND
RESEARCH PROGRAM FUNDED BY NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION.
DATA AND RESULTS OF CRUISE TO BE AVAILABLE UPON REQUEST.

3. REGRET MISHANDLING WITHIN DEPT HAS RESULTED IN LATE
SUBMISSION, BUT IN LIGHT OF CHILEAN PARTICIPATION AND
FACT PROGRAM IS VIRTUALLY IDENTICAL TO LAST YEAR'S
EFFORT WHICH WAS APPROVED BY GOC - ALTHO WITH SEVERAL
CONDITIONS - REQUEST POST ATTEMPT TO OBTAIN GOC
PERMISSION FOR CONDUCT SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH CHILEAN
TERRITORIAL WATERS/OUTLYING ISLANDS. KISSINGER

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